GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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RAIL RESERVATION SCHEME
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have reversed the advance reservation period from 90 days to 60 days;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Railways are aware of the problems being faced by the passengers due to insufficient Passenger Reservation System (PRS) centres in smaller cities particularly in Tamil Nadu;

(d) if so, whether the Railways have any proposal to open more PRS centres in the State;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The advance reservation period for rail reservation has been reduced from 90 days to 60 days w.e.f. 15-07-2007 based on the booking pattern and the feedback received from Zonal Railways.

(c): There are 99 Passenger Reservation Systems functional in the state of Tamil Nadu that include smaller cities also.

(d) & (e): Passenger Reservation System along with facilities for Unreserved Ticketing (PRS-cum-UTS) have been sanctioned for about 76 more stations located in the state of Tamil Nadu.

(f): Does not arise.